

EMPLOYEES INFORMATION

The Group had a total of approximately 1,300 employees as at 30 June 2004 (30 June 2003: approximately 1,040). Salaries and benefits are maintained at competitive levels commensurate with human resources market conditions. Rewards are given on the basis of performance.

INTERIM DIVIDENDS

The Directors have declared an interim dividend of HK\$1.5 cents per share for the six months ended 30 June 2004 (2003: HK\$1 cent per share) payable on Wednesday, 13 October 2004, to shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on 30 September 2004.

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The register of members will be closed from Monday, 27 September 2004 to Thursday, 30 September 2004, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for the interim dividend, all share transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Registrars, Tengis Limited, G/F Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTEREST AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES

The Directors and chief executive of the Company who held office at 30 June 2004 had the following interests in the shares of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")) (the "Associated Corporations") at that date as recorded in the register of directors' and chief executives' interests and short positions required to be kept under section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code"):

	Personal interests (Note 1)	Family interests	Shares of HK\$1 each Corporate interests (Note 2)	Other Interests
Keck Seng Investments (Hong Kong) Limited				
Ho Kian Guan	480	—	253,876,320	—
Ho Kian Hock	480	—	253,876,320	—
Ho Kian Cheong	480	—	253,876,320	—
Paul Tse See Fan	288,720	—	—	—
Robin Y H Chan	180,000	—	720,000	—
Arthur Kwok Chi Shun	—	—	—	—

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTEREST AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES (continued)**Shares of S\$1 each
Corporate interests****Lam Ho Investments Pte Ltd**

Ho Kian Guan	495,000 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Hock	495,000 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Cheong	495,000 (Note 2)

**Shares of HK\$1 each
Corporate interests****Shun Seng International Limited**

Ho Kian Guan	9,990 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Hock	9,990 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Cheong	9,990 (Note 2)
Arthur Kwok Chi Shun	15,000 (Note 3)

**Amount of capital (US\$)
Corporate interests****Hubei Qing Chuan Hotel Company Limited**

Ho Kian Guan	5,216,000 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Hock	5,216,000 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Cheong	5,216,000 (Note 2)
Arthur Kwok Chi Shun	489,000 (Note 3)

**Shares of Ptc1 each
Corporate/Personal interests****Golden Crown Development Limited**

Ho Kian Guan	9,000,000 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Hock	9,000,000 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Cheong	9,000,000 (Note 2)
Paul Tse See Fan	50,000 (Note 1)

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTEREST AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES (continued)

		Quota of Ptc1,000 each
		Corporate interests
Ocean Gardens Management Company Limited		
Ho Kian Guan		1 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Hock		1 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Cheong		1 (Note 2)
		Shares of HK\$1 each
		Corporate interests
Shun Cheong International Limited		
Ho Kian Guan		999 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Hock		999 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Cheong		999 (Note 2)
Arthur Kwok Chi Shun		5,500 (Note 3)
		Shares of M\$1 each
		Corporate interests
KSF Enterprises Sdn Bhd		
Ho Kian Guan		7,500 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Hock		7,500 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Cheong		7,500 (Note 2)
	Common shares without par value	Preferred shares of C\$1 each
	Corporate interests	Corporate interests
Chateau Ottawa Hotel Inc		
Ho Kian Guan	450,000 (Note 2)	370,000 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Hock	450,000 (Note 2)	370,000 (Note 2)
Ho Kian Cheong	450,000 (Note 2)	370,000 (Note 2)

Notes:

- (1) These represent interests held by the relevant Directors as beneficial owner.
- (2) These represent interests held by the relevant Directors through their controlled corporations in which Messrs Ho Kian Guan, Ho Kian Hock and Ho Kian Cheong had common shareholding interests.
- (3) These represent interests held by Mr Arthur Kwok Chi Shun through his controlled corporations.

Save as mentioned above, at 30 June 2004, none of the Directors and chief executive of the Company or any of their spouses or children under eighteen years of age has interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its Associated Corporations, as recorded in the register required to be kept under section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.